64. Al-Wajid
(The Finder)

"Allah finds those who seek Him, even when they think they are lost. Often when you believe you are searching for Him, it is actually He who is drawing you near."

- Abu Hafs al-Suhrawardi (1145-1234 CE)
Source: "Awarif al-Ma'arif"
(The Knowledge of the Spiritually Learned)

Anyone who continues saying this Beautiful Name of Allah while partaking meals, the food thus consumed will become a source of strength and noor. - Al Hisnul Hasin

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The Most Beautiful Names of Allah ﷻ

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AL-WAAJID ﷻ (THE BEING FOR WHOM ALL IS FOUND, THE EXISTENT ﷻ)

One meaning of 'waajid' is wealthy. It is extracted from the word 'wujd'. Allaah ﷻ states, "Wherever you stay, according to your 'wujd' (capability or wealth), allow them (divorced women) to stay."
In the Arabic language, waajid is referred to a wealthy person as he is able to find everything. However, with regards to humans, a person finds something after not possessing it. Allaah ﷻ is also Al- Waajid, but not in this sense. Since He ﷻ is free from deriving any benefit and suffering any loss, everything is always found for Him, thereby being Waajid. Humans, animals and other creation are *waajid* at times, and are not at other times.

Allaah ﷻ is Waajid since all things in existence are found within His control. He has always possessed all intrinsic perfections as well as all things which can be sought.

This name can also be derived from 'wujood', which will then mean existent. Al-Waajid ﷻ has always been in existence and will always remain in existence. Here-under a few proofs of the existence of Allaah ﷻ will be mentioned:

1.) Every single atom in the universe points to the existence of Allaah ﷻ. The greatest proof and sign of His existence however, is man himself. The Quraan declares, "And in yourselves. Do you not see?"
Ponder over the nervous system of the body. It is so delicate yet so connected. Modern research explains that the headquarters of the internal communication system is the brain. In every brain, there is approximately one billion nerve chambers. From every chamber, thin threads emerge and spread throughout the body. Information travels

from these threads to other limbs at an extremely fast speed, at approximately 70 miles an hour. By means of these nerves, we taste, we hear, we see, we touch, and perform countless other actions. There are three thousand taste-buds on the tongue. Every-one of them is connected to the brain by means of a different nerve. In the ears, there are about one hundred thousand hearing chambers. By a very complex action, our brains are able to hear.

In every eye, there are 130 million cells, which transmits pictures to the brain. On the surface of the skin, a whole network of sensory fibres are spread out. If a hot object is brought before the skin, then approximately 3000 pores perceive it and convey the message to the brain. Similarly on the skin, there are 250000 pores which can perceive cold objects.
A person should ponder: Could such a systematic and bonded system come into existence coincidentally? Never! This is undoubtedly the masterpiece of a most knowledgeable and intelligent maker.

2.) Science informs us that the universe comprises of 500 million galaxies. Each galaxy comprises of approximately 100 billion stars. All of these galaxies are in continuous motion. The moon is continuously in movement. The earth moves around its axis at a speed of one thousand miles per hour. The sun orbits at a speed of 600000 miles per hour. The stars move at different speeds, some at 8 miles per second, some at 32 miles per second and some at 84 miles per second. If these stars have to collide, the whole system of the universe will be in chaos. If there is a slight change in the speeds of these stars, even our days, nights and seasons will change. Day and night, we see with our very own eyes that, daily in one city, so many accidents occur which cause loss to life. This is not because there are no drivers, but because there is a second of inattention from the drivers. If a few moments of carelessness of the driver can cause destruction to a whole car, then what is the reason that there have been no accidents in the skies, despite the continuous

movement of countless stars and celestial bodies. Can this be mere chance?

Never! The only reason is that this huge system is being kept in control by Allaah ﷻ.

اِنَّ اللّٰهَ يُمْسِكُ السَّمٰوٰتِ وَالْاَرْضَ اَنْ تَزُوْلَا ۚ وَلَئِنْ زَالَتَا اِنْ اَمْسَكَهُمَا مِنْ اَحَدٍ مِّنْ بَعْدِهٖ اِنَّهٗ كَانَ حَلِيْمًا غَفُوْرًا

Verily Allaah ﷻ withholds the heavens and earth from moving out of place. If they were to move out of place, there will be none to withhold them after Him. Indeed He is Tolerant, Most Forgiving. (Faatir)

This means that together with Allaah ﷻ possessing perfect power, He is characterized with perfect kindness. He ﷻ holds up the heavens and earth, and does not allow them to move from their places, otherwise, in a split second, the whole system of the universe could be destroyed. If He ﷻ does not maintain them in their respective places, and they have to stir, there is none else but Allaah ﷻ who can control them.

3.) A group of atheists once surrounded Imaam Abu Haneefah ﷺ and wanted to kill him. He said to them, “First, let us discuss one matter in the form of a debate. Thereafter, you have a choice to do as you please.” They accepted this request of his. The date and location for the debate was fixed. However Imaam Saheb arrived late. The atheists raised a huge clamour about this.

Imaam Saheb said, “First listen to me. Perhaps you will excuse me for my delay.” They agreed to do so. Imaam Saheb then said, “Today, I witnessed an amazing incident. When I reached the river banks, there was no sign of any boat whatsoever. I was perplexed not knowing how I was to cross the river. Whilst I was still pondering over this predicament, I see a tree being cut by itself. Boats were then formed. Then without any carpenter and any nails, these boards began joining together to form a boat. Without any sailor, it rowed over to me, floating over the water. I boarded it. It then brought me to this shore.”

When the atheists heard this story, they raised their heads to the heavens and, in sarcastic tones, announced, “Is it ever possible for a tree

to be cut by itself, for a ship to be prepared without a builder, and for a boat to move so perfectly without a captain?"
Imam Saheb answered, "Foolish ones! If one tree cannot be cut by itself, if boards cannot be joined and fixed together without some builder, if a boat cannot be prepared without any expert, if a recently-made boat cannot move without a sailor, then can this whole system – the trees, the rocks, the rivers and seas, the sun and moon, the gardens, the animals and humans, the huge number of stars and the galaxy – come into existence by itself? Can such a huge system move by itself, not having any maker and guide?" These atheists understood this example. They repented and accepted Islam.

4.) Imaam Shaafeei' ﵀ pondered over the wonders of a green lush tree, and recognized his Creator and Master. He says, "I saw the mulberry tree. It is a single tree. Its roots and stem is one. The seasons and wind affecting it are one. The land is one. The water is one. The branches and leaves are of one type. The colour as well as the shape of the leaves is one. The taste of all the leaves is one. The matter of all is one. Cows, goats, deers, birds as well as insects eat these leaves.
However when a silkworm eats it, silk emerges.
When a bee eats, honey is formed.
When a deer eats, musk is formed.
When a cow or sheep eats, then excreta is formed.
Is this not a proof that there must be a creator of different types of effects and benefits from one leaf? This is that Being whom we refer to as Allaah ﷻ. All of this are His doings and accomplishments.

فَيَا عَجَبِيْ كَيْفَ يُعْصٰى الإِلٰه أَمْ كَيْفَ يَجْحَدُهُ الْجَاحِدُ
وَلِلّٰهِ فِيْ كُلِّ تَحْرِيْكَةٍ وَتَسْكِيْنَةٍ اَبَـدًا شَاهِدُ
وَفِي كُلِّ شَيْئٍ لَهُ ايَةٌ تَدُلُّ عَلٰى أَنَّهُ وَاحِدُ

I cannot fathom how Allaah ﷻ can be disobeyed, or how a denier denies Him,

whereas there is a proof of the existence of Allaah ﷻ in every movement and halting?
In every single thing, there is a sign which points to the fact that He is one.

5.) Imaam Ahmad ﷺ has stated, "Once I pondered deeply. I saw a palace before me. It was a strong fort, surrounded on all four sides. Its walls were extremely strong. It has no windows or skylight. It has no doors. There is no question of food or provisions reaching there. There is no means of air filtering through. The outer portion of the palace is white. It shines likes silver. The inside has been painted and shines like gold. This palace is closed from all sides; above, below, right and left. Suddenly the wall breaks, and from within this enclosed palace, a living chick emerges which has eyes, ears, a tongue, possesses a beautiful form, speaks so lovingly and moves about. Immediately, it is able to recognize its friend as well as foe. It knows how to eat grains as well as to drink water.

Is there any creator of this bird in this enclosed and protected palace? Is there any Being who has granted it bones, a body, flesh, a beak, legs and the perception to seek protection by its mother from the harms of cats, etc? Most definitely there is. He is that Being whose power is unlimited and whose name is Al-Waajid ﷻ.

6.) Once, a so-called intellectual person asked an illiterate village-dweller for a proof of the existence of Allaah ﷻ. He replied,

يَا سُبْحَانَ اللّٰهِ! إِنَّ الْبَعْرَ لَيَدُلُّ عَلَى الْبَعِيْرِ وَ إِنَّ أَثَرَ الْأَقْدَامِ لَتَدُلُّ عَلَى الْمَسِيْرِ فَسَمَاءٌ ذَاتُ اَبْرَاجٍ وَاَرْضٌ ذَاتُ فِجَاجٍ وَالْبِحَارٌ ذَاتُ أَمْوَاجٍ؟ أَلَا يَدُلُّ ذٰلِکَ عَلٰى وُجُوْدِ اللَّطِيْفِ الْخَبِيْرِ

Pure is Allaah! Dung points to the existence of a camel ahead. Footprints point to the existence of a traveller on that road. Do the huge heavens full of constellations, the earth filled with valleys and the oceans thundering with waves not point to the existence of a Most

Refined and All-Knowing creator (a most powerful and knowledgeable being)? (Ibn Katheer)

7.) Shaikh Sa'dee ﷺ states, "Ponder over green and lush trees. Every leaf openly points to the recognition of a true Master."
Think for yourself:
a.) The height of trees
b.) The proportioning of the tree's width, breadth and height.
c.) The arrangement of branches
d.) The greenness of the leaves
e.) The beautiful embroidery on the leaves
f.) The mixture of beautiful colours
g.) The beautiful cutting of the leaves together with being so proportioned
h.) The different effects of different leaves – some are boiled in water from which tea is made. Some are boiled in water and are used to clean the body. The leaves of the narcissus tree has a different effect, paan leaves have a different effect. Mint leaves have different benefits. Their smells and tastes are different.
i.) The colours of the different flowers
j.) The smells of the different flowers
k.) The protection of the flowers by thorns
l.) The contracting and expanding of the flowers
Is all of this not the doings of a Maker and Fashioner?